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FREEDOM/UNFREEDOM IN THE BLACK ATLANTIC

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FEBRUARY 7, 5 PM, LECTURE HALL, DOUDNA FINE ARTS CENTER



*"African canoemen paddling",
Gabriel Brion, 1775, National
Maritime Museum, Greenwich,
United Kingdom*

Dr. Foy will address the shape of freedom in the eighteenth century Atlantic through an analysis of how European powers treated black mariners, free and enslaved. These seamen moved about the Atlantic and in crossing national, cultural, ethnic and legal boundaries provide, perhaps like no other group of individuals, a window into attitudes concerning race and freedom in the Atlantic.